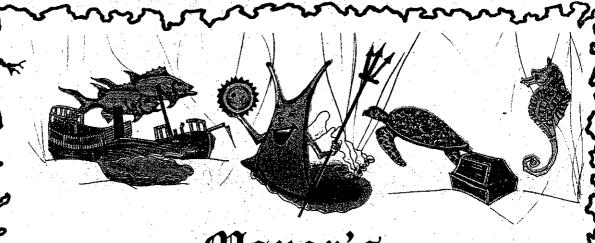
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: January 21, 2004	Division: <u>BOCC</u> -
Bulk Item: Yes No _X_	Department: DISTRICT 5
AGENDA ITEM WORDING: Proclamation to declare the week of January 19-25, 2004 as Mel Fisher Maritime Museum Achievement Week.	
ITEM BACKGROUND: The Mel Fisher Maritime Museum has successfully undergone the rigorous process of scrutiny by a national panel of the American Association of Museums that bestows accreditation to American museums. This accreditation awarded the Mel Fisher Maritime Museum places the museum in the top five percent of the nations' museums.	
PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOCC ACTION:	
CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGES:	
STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:	
TOTAL COST: N/A	BUDGETED: Yes No
COST TO COUNTY:	SOURCE OF FUNDS:
REVENUE PRODUCING: Yes No A	MOUNT PER MONTH Year
APPROVED BY: County Atty OMB/P	urchasing Risk Management
DIVISION DIRECTOR APPROVAL: M	AYOR MURRAY E. NELSON
DOCUMENTATION: Included X	To Follow Not Required
DISPOSITION:	AGENDA ITEM #_Blo



Mayor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, Accreditation is a widely recognized seal of approval that brings national recognition to museums, and

WHEREAS, Accreditation is recognition of a museum's commitment to excellence, accountability, high professional standards, and continued institutional improvement, and

WHEREAS, Being an accredited museum strengthens individual museums and the museum profession as a whole by promoting ethical and professional practices that enable museum leadership to make informed decisions, allocate and use resources wisely, and remain accountable to the public, and

WHEREAS, Accreditation serves as the museum field's primary vehicle for quality assurance and self-regulation, and

WHEREAS, The Mel Fisher Maritime Museum, the official maritime museum of Monroe County, has successfully undergone the rigorous process of scrutiny by a panel of the American Association of Museums that bestows accreditation to American museums, and

WHEREAS, This accreditation awarded the Mel Fisher Maritime Museum in Key West, Florida, places the museum in the top five percent of the nation's museums, and

WHEREAS, This prestigious designation warrants recognition for the "local museum with national impact"

NOW THEREFORE, by the virtue of the power vested in me as Mayor of Monroe County, Florida, I, Murray E. Nelson, do hereby proclaim the week of January 19-25, 2004, as Mel Fisher Maritime Museum Achievement Week.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the County of Monroe, Florida, this 21st day of January, 2004.

Mayor Murray E. Nelson